



Senate Finance Committee
Chair Pamela Beidle
Vice Chair Antonio Hayes
3 West Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Chair Beidle, Vice Chair Hayes, and Members of the Finance Committee,

I am a small business owner in Washington County that would be positively affected by Senate Bill 714, and I am writing to voice my support of this legislation.

This bill provides much-needed clarity and flexibility for food service operations like mine, allowing for temporary outdoor seating. The bill reflects an understanding of the practical challenges faced by small, local-based, and seasonal businesses that hold semi-permanent or mobile vendor licenses and helps reduce unnecessary regulatory burdens that can limit our ability to operate efficiently.

This balanced approach will allow my small businesses to continue serving the public responsibly while supporting local economies and communities.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fawn Strite".

Fawn Strite